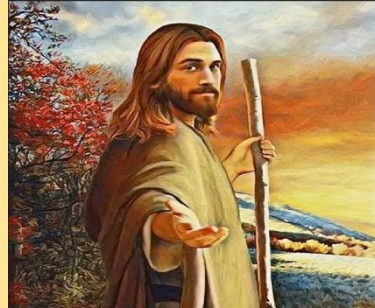


# ST. ANTHONY COUGAR CONNECTION

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FROM the desk of MRS. SCHWEITZER



*For the 2025-2026 school year, our theme will be “Come Follow Me.” In the Gospel of John 10: 27-29, Jesus says, “My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father’s hand.”*

*What do these words mean to us as disciples of Jesus? During this Jubilee year in our church, we are called to be “Pilgrims of Hope.” We are supposed to contribute to our Church’s mission of unity and charity. John 10: 27-29 shows that Jesus knows us inside and out; He knows everything about us, and He loves us deeply. Jesus is our “Good Shepherd”, and we are “His flock” who are called to listen to His will for us and follow Him. In order to do this, we must try to learn and understand scripture and the traditions of the Catholic church.*

*This school year, we will spend time focusing on the Sunday Gospel readings and what they tell us about how we, as Pilgrims of Hope, are to follow Jesus, so that when our Good Shepherd says to us, “COME FOLLOW ME”, we listen, follow, and become a more unified Church.*

**Gospel Reading: John 6:37-40**

**Word of the Week: eternal**

**Prayer for the week: Jesus, Chosen One (Luke 23:35), help me to see you in the faces of everyone I meet.**

## MISSION STATEMENT

*St. Anthony Catholic School accepts the responsibility, along with the parents, to educate students spiritually, morally, and academically in a safe & caring Christian atmosphere. Each individual is assured academic achievement and develops social and emotional growth while embracing the gospel message of Jesus Christ.*

## VISION STATEMENT

*St. Anthony Catholic School’s vision is to work together as a team composed of students, parents, teachers and staff in a positive manner to build strong, spiritual children who give witness to their faith.*

**SCHOOL PHOTOS** – If you ordered photos, they will be sent home with students today. A retake day was requested here at school, however, it has been scheduled at the Lifetouch Studio in Crestview Hills on December 1st. Lifetouch has communicated if a parent / guardian feels their student's photo is not captured perfectly they should reach out to [jjrivera@lifetouch.com](mailto:jjrivera@lifetouch.com) to schedule a time to bring their student in on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT FOR OCTOBER!** For a service project for this month, we will be collecting items for animals in need. Some items you may consider donating are: dog/cat toys, collars, leashes, dog/cat food (canned or dry), treats, potty pads, blankets, etc... There is a box in the front hallway of school where students may put these items. Please support this service project by donating an item or two. **THIS IS OUR LAST WEEK FOR THE COLLECTION!**

**NIGHT AT THE RACES-** Holy Cross High School Athletics presents the Pat Taney Night at the Races on Saturday, November 1, 2025, at the Holy Cross Gym-Monsignor Finn Center, 36<sup>th</sup> & Church Streets in Covington, KY. Doors open at 6:30 PM with races starting at 7:00 PM. There will be 10 races with a 10-horse field and pari-mutuel betting, silent auction, horse auction, raffles and prizes. Admission is \$15 each and includes 2 beer tickets and water and soda are free. Everyone 21 or over is invited to attend. All proceeds benefit Holy Cross High School. Charitable Gaming # ORG 0000063.

**8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE DAY AT HOLY CROSS HIGH SCHOOL** – All 8<sup>th</sup> graders will visit Holy Cross High School during the school day on Tuesday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>. They will be transported by bus. They will enjoy a tour of the school, visit some classes, and participate in some fun activities that have been planned! Then they will return to school by dismissal.

**HALLOWEEN FUN!** This Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, we will have some Halloween fun at school, so students are permitted to dress in a costume, wear Halloween colors, or if they would prefer, they may just wear their school uniforms. Please remember that most of our day will be a normal school day, so costumes should not be a distraction. The simpler the costume, the better. Accessories such as weapons should be left at home.

Ice cream will not be offered in the cafeteria this Friday due to the Halloween celebration. Ice cream will resume on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>.

**FAMILY FALL NIGHT** – **Family Fall Fun Night is Friday November 22 from 6:30 - 9:00 in Fleming Hall!** This is a great night to meet new families and have lots of fun with your own family at the same time! Everyone is invited to join us! The evening will begin with dinner from Texas Roadhouse, compliments of our Boosters and PTO Organizations. After dinner your family will have fun creating a family fall wreath to take home and enjoy! Your family will also have fun playing fall-themed games! Raffle baskets, prizes, snacks, drinks, fun and more!! We really look forward to seeing everyone there! Look for a reservation form with all the details, to come home with your child tomorrow!

Also, each homeroom is being asked to organize a basket to be raffled off that evening. Students should have brought home information about the basket last week. ***Please send in donations of items or money to help with the basket.***

**REMINDERS** – Makeup (including nail polish and artificial nails) is NOT to be worn in school. Students are not permitted to wear face or body make-up, but are permitted to wear fingernail polish on out of uniform days. Also, boys' hair may be no longer than to the collar, and in front, hair should not hang in the student's eyes and should be neatly trimmed and groomed. Please ensure that your children are following these handbook guidelines.

Also, our diocesan school lunch program does not allow outside fast food to be brought in. Sodas/sugary drinks/sports drinks should not be in water bottles. Soft drinks/sodas should not be packed in a lunch brought from home.

<p><b><u>PLANNING AHEAD</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>MONDAY, NOV. 3<sup>RD</sup> – NO KENTON COUNTY BUS SERVICE</b></li> <li>- <b>8th GRADE VISIT TO HC – TUESDAY, NOV. 4<sup>th</sup></b></li> <li>- <b>WEDNESDAY, NOV. 5<sup>TH</sup> – END OF TRIMESTER</b></li> <li>- <b>WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12<sup>TH</sup> – GOLD STAR NIGHT</b></li> <li>- <b>WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12<sup>TH</sup> – TEXAS ROADHOUSE/MIKE’S CARWASH FUNDRAISER BEGINS</b></li> <li>-</li> </ul> <p><b><u>WEEKLY LUNCH MENU</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Tuesday – Cheese or pepperoni pizza</i></li> <li>• <i>Wednesday – Chili Spaghetti</i></li> <li>• <i>Thursday – Chicken Tenders</i></li> <li>• <i>Friday – Grilled Cheese</i></li> <li>• <i>Monday – Chicken Patty Sandwich</i></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>IMPORTANT REMINDERS</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>There are no water fountains available in the building. Water refilling stations are available. Each student should bring their own water bottle.</i></li> <li>• <b><u>DISMISSAL</u></b> – Please be sure to arrive at school to pick up your students ON TIME and in the designated area that you have been instructed to park in. Traffic tends to become a problem if cars arrive once dismissal has occurred. Students line up in the school based on the area they will be dismissed to. The bus should depart BEFORE any cars leave the parking lot. If you have questions, please contact the office.</li> </ul>